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SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT RE ECONOMIC SUMMIT

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT CARTER TO
CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT:

2. QUOTE: DEAR MR. CHANCELLOR:

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR HOSPITALITY TO THE
VICE PRESIDENT AND HIS PARTY DURING HIS RECENT VISIT
TO THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC. I HAVE HAD A CHANCE TO TALK
AT LENGTH WITH HIM, AND BOTH OF US ARE EXTREMELY
PLEASED WITH THE RESULTS OF THE TRIP. HE HAS GIVEN ME
A FULL REPORT ON HIS CONVERSATION WITH YOU. I MUCH
APPRECIATE YOUR FRANK APPRAISALS OF THE ECONOMIC SITUATION,
NON-PROLIFERATION AND OTHER ISSUES OF MUTUAL CONCERN. I WILL FOLLOW
WITH INTEREST THE COURSE OF SUBSEQUENT DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN OUR GOVERNMENTS.

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BECAUSE I FAVORED PRESIDENT GISCARD'S SUGGESTION OF
ANOTHER MEETING OF THE HEADS OF STATE OF THE INDUSTRIALIZED
DEMOCRACIES, I ASKED THE VICE PRESIDENT TO CONSULT ABOUT IT AT
EACH STOP, AND WITH PRIME MINISTER

TRUDEAU. HE FOUND STRONG SUPPORT FOR SUCH A MEETING, AND

A GENERAL CONSENSUS THAT IT SHOULD BE HELD IN LONDON IN EARLY TO MID-MAY. I WOULD HOPE WE MIGHT USE THAT OCCASION TO HOLD, DISCRETELY, A SEPARATE, SMALLER MEETING OF THE FOUR POWERS RESPONSIBLE FOR BERLIN.

SINCE PRIME MINISTER CALLAGHAN WILL BE HOSTING THE MEETING, I HAVE TAKEN THE LIBERTY OF SUGGESTING THAT HE BEGIN MAKING ARRANGEMENTS, INCLUDING SENDING OUT INVITATIONS. THERE APPEARS TO BE A CONSENSUS THAT THE PARTICIPANTS WOULD BE THOSE REPRESENTED AT THE PUERTO RICO MEETING. AS THE VICE PRESIDENT INDICATED, WE WOULD WELCOME PARTICIPATION BY THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY. OF COURSE, THE NATURE OF REPRESENTATION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY IS A MATTER FOR YOU AND YOUR EUROPEAN COLLEAGUES TO DECIDE.

AS THE JAPANESE HAVE REQUESTED, I WOULD SUGGEST THAT THE MEETING BE JUST BEFORE THE NATO MINISTERIAL MEETING, ALTHOUGH OF COURSE THE TWO MEETINGS WILL BE ENTIRELY SEPARATE. WE CAN CONSULT FURTHER ABOUT PRECISE TIMING. I KNOW WE SHARE A BELIEF IN THE IMPORTANCE OF CAREFUL PREPARATION BEFORE SUCH A MEETING. I WILL SOON NAME MY REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE PREPARATIONS, AND I WILL INFORM YOU AS SOON AS THAT CHOICE IS MADE.

I VERY MUCH LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING WITH YOU PERSONALLY AND HAVING THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXCHANGE VIEWS ON A VARIETY OF ISSUES OF INTEREST TO OUR TWO COUNTRIES.

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